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SUBJ: SAUDI INFO MINISTER DENIEW MIRAGE PURCHASE AND SAUDI
DEPOSITS IN FRANCE

REF: JIDDA 3948

1. MAY 30 AL-MADINA PUBLISHED PARIS INTERVIEW WITH SAUDI
MINISTER OF INFORMATION YAMANI IN WHICH HE DENIED REPORTS
THAT SAUDI ARABIA AND FRANCE WERE PLANNING TO DISCUSS PUR-
CHASE OF MIRAGE 400 AIRCRAFT DURING KING KHALID'S VISIT TO
FRANCE. IN SAME INTERVIEW YAMANI ALSO DENIED REPORTS THAT
AGENDA OF DISCUSSIONS INCLUDED DEPOSIT OF FOUR BILLION
DOLLARS OF SAUDI SURPLUS FUNDS IN FRENCH BANKS.

2. FRENCH MAY NOT HAVE COMPLETELY GIVEN UP HOPE OF AIRCRAFT
SALES, HOWEVER, MAY 30 ENGLISH-LANGUAGE SAUDI GAZETTE QUOTED
FRENCH SOURCES AS SAYING THAT FRANCE STILL HOPES TO SELL
MIRAGE 2000 JETS TO KINGDOM. BUT YAMANI'S STATEMENT TO
AL-MADINA IMPLIED THAT DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN FRENCH MINISTER
OF DEFENSE AND SAUDI DEFENSE MINISTER PRINCE SULTAN
BIN ABD AL-AZIZ WOULD BE LIMITED TO CURRENT SAUDI SUPPLY
AND TRAINING PROGRAMS WITH FRANCE.

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